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# NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT

# Best Available Golf Balls

# OFFICIAL DISPATCH

VIA AIR MAIL  
RECEIVED IN WASHINGTON

DISPATCH NO. 11-222

## CLASSIFICATION

TO: Chief of Foreign Relations DATE: 25 February 1945

FROM: Chief of Station, Bern

SUBJECT: General Information, Rumanian Exiles  
SPECIFIC: Prince Michael and Rumania

1. At the suggestion of a usually reliable unofficial source contact, Prince Michael Rumanian approached this office. Subject stated that he was now living in Salzburg whence he fled from Rumania in June 1947. He was in Switzerland trying to obtain a visa for France and also attempting to see King MICHAEL and certain other Rumanian exiles. Subject launched into a fairly violent attack on the incompetency of the members of the King's present entourage, notably VERETTI and LACEL, and offered the opinion that they should not be permitted to accompany the King to the U.S. STURDEA also cast aspersions on VERETTI and VICCIANO.

2. Subject stated that he was now one of a group of Rumanians in Salzburg engaged in intelligence work for the Americans. This group includes Kurt LAUBER, Francois PIESSE and Ernst SCHLITZ, three Transylvanian Saxons, and is now engaged in obtaining intelligence from Rumania via a regular courier service. The group is handled by two Austrians, Herbert ALER and Hans WISCHNER, who claim to be working with a certain Col. WREY in Frankfurt. According to STURDEA, Col. WREY is described as Property Control Officer (sic). The material received from Rumania via courier is written in secret inks provided by WREY and ALER. On receipt it is sent to Munich for developing and then returned to Salzburg for translation. Local facilities are granted to the group by Lt. WISCHNER and Major De WALT of CIC Salzburg. *Alfred Otto Oct. 1941-1944*

3. Source INSIGNIA advises that STURDEA was a notorious collaborator with the Germans. Another Rumanian, a member of King MICHAEL's entourage, before STURDEA had contacted this office, told the story that the Prince had attempted to see King MICHAEL when the latter's train passed through Salzburg, but had been turned off the train at the request of the King.

4. STURDEA's reason for a pro-germanic was apparently to express his dissatisfaction with the present handling of the group and the abilities of the Transylvanian Saxons to procure significant intelligence from Rumania. He feels that political and economic intelligence obtained is being sacrificed since the

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emphasis is entirely on military information. He seeks more direct touch with AIC and offered his services to us. He would like to include in his own group two Rumanians now in Paris, Col. Ian MUPOAIA and Princess Alice CARTACUZE. STOURDZA claims to have many valuable contacts in Rumania and he mentioned specifically Col. George CECILY, military prosecutor, Gen. Radu KOMZ, Gen. Petre MICULESCU and the CRISTAU family.

5. STOURDZA made a distinctly unfavorable impression on this office and was given no encouragement. His story was listened to with interest because of the alleged intelligence operations being run into Rumania by Americans. This Station would be most interested in any comments on the above and any further information on the individuals mentioned or the operation described.

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